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1. CODEL OVERNIGHT STAY IN AMMAN JULY 5 PROPOSED REF B, FOLLOWED BY JULY 6 VISIT TO DAMASCUS, IS FEASIBLE FROM THIS END. ARAB WINGS COMPANY INFORMS US THAT FARE FOR RENTAL OF SMALL LEAR-TYPE JET TO DAMASCUS IS \$1,000 (ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS), EITHER ONEAWAY OR ROUND-TRIP. ALTERNATIVELY, SENATOR COULD TRAVEL BY EMBASSY CAR TO DAMASCUS (THREE HOUR PLUS DRIVE).

2. WHILE IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SYRIANS WOULD BE WILLING TO OPEN THEIR EMBASSY HERE IN EARLY EVENING IN ORDER TO ISSUE CODEL VISAS, WE RECOMMEND THAT EMBASSY DAMASCUS APPROACH AUTHORITIES THERE TO INQUIRE INTO POSSIBILITY OF ISSUANCE OF VISA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AT AIRPORT OR JORDANIAN-SYRIAN BORDER. EMBASSY DAMASCUS PLEASE ADVISE.

3. POST PROPOSES FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR VISIT: TUESDAY, JULY 5
1500 - CROSS BRIDGE TO EAST BANK, MET BY AMBASSADOR PICKERING. ROYAL PROTOCOL HAS REQUESTED THAT

SENATOR PROCEED DIRECTLY FROM BRIDGE TO MEETING WITH KING HUSSEIN, EITHER IN NEW (HASHEMIYYEH) PALACE WEST OF AMMAN, OR ROYAL DIWAN IN CITY. 1800 - MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER MUDAR BADRAN

1900 - MEETING (TENTATIVE) WITH CROWN PRINCE HASSAN.

(APPROX) (SINCE WE EXPECT CP HASSAN WILL HAVE RETURNED FROM

EUROPE ON JULY 5, CODEL'S MEETING WITH HIM MAY BE HELD

ON MORNING JULY 6, POSSIBLY OVER BREAKFAST.

CODEL WOULD PROCEED DIRECTLY TO AIRPORT OR BY CAR TO

SYRIAN BORDER FOLLOWING MEETING.)

EVENING - IN-HOUSE STAG DINNER FOR CODEL AT AMBASSADOR'S

RESIDENCE ATTENDED BY SENIOR EMBASSY STAFF.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

0830 - EITHER MEETING WITH CP HASSAN OR BREAKFAST

AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

0930 - DEPARTURE FOR DAMASCUS EITHER BY ARAB WINGS

OR EMBASSY VEHICLE.

1030 - ARRIVE DAMASCUS AIRPORT (IF BY AIR)

IF BY CAR:

(APPROX.)

1030 - ARRIVE SYRIAN BORDER

1200 (APPROX) - ARRIVE DAMASCUS

 ${\tt 4.\ AMBASSADOR\ PICKERING\ INVITES\ SENATOR\ JAVITS\ AND\ LAKELAND}$

TO BE HIS GUESTS AT RESIDENCE NIGHT OF JULY 5.

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